programmes. As per the decision all specified Central institutions admitting students on all-India basis will have to opt for one of the five examinations as specified. All the Central/Deemed Universities will have the option to participate in these tests or conduct their own entrance examination and admit students in a fair and transparent manner. The State Governments have the option of admitting students through any of the specified Common Admission Tests or through their own entrance test.

As regard giving option to the State Governments, the State Governments shall continue to hold their own common entrance tests for admissions in institutions within their States as before. However, States willing to participate in the AIEEE for all or a part of the total seats in the State can participate in AIEEE.

National Commission on Education

1050. SHRI JESUDASU SEELAM:
DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering to set up a National Commission on Education on the lines of University Grants Commission for primary and upper primary education;

(b) if so, whether after having consultation with the Ministries of the Finance, Home and Planning Commission, a final decision has been taken; and

(c) if so, by when the Commission is likely to be set up?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M.A.A. FATMI): (a) to (c) The proposal for setting up a National Commission on Education is under considerastion of the Government. A final decision in the matter has not yet been taken.

Study on School Education

1051. PROF. ALKA BALRAM KSHATRIYA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry has recently conducted a study on imparting education in private and public schools;